MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTS

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBERS FOR BANGALORE CITY.—JANUARY 1944. (A RISE OF FOUR POINTS)

The cost of Living Index Number for Bangalore City for January 1944, works out to 187·7 points which is higher by 4·0 points than that of the figure for the month of December 1943.

As compared with the previous month, the Food Index increased by 5·5 points to 212·9 due to a rise in the prices of sugar, jaggary, ghee, onions, vegetables and garlic. As a result of further increase in the prices of all the articles of clothing, except that of cloth for jackets the index number of its group rose by 7·8 points to 249·8. The index numbers of fuel and lighting, house rent and miscellaneous groups remained steady.

Working Class Cost of Living Index Numbers for Bangalore City.

(Average of prices from July 1935 to June 1936—100.)

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936	Dec. 1943	Jany. 1944	Index Numbers: Dec. 1943	Jany. 1944
			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
Food—							
Raw Rice	... Seer	14·0	0 2 2	0 4 4	0 4 4	200	200
Boiled Rice	... ,,	22·6	0 2 3	0 4 4	0 4 4	193	193
Ragi	... ,,	6·6	0 1 1	0 2 6	0 2 6	231	231
Blackgram Dhal	... ,,	0·7	0 3 1	0 8 6	0 8 6	281	281
Tur Dhal	... ,,	3·4	0 2 8	0 7 10	0 7 8	294	288
Bengalgram Dhal	... ,,	1·4	0 2 11	0 10 2	0 9 9	349	334
Avare Dhal	... ,,	0·6	0 2 7	0 7 6	0 7 5	290	287
Green Gram	... ,,	1·2	0 2 0	0 7 5	0 7 3	371	363
Sugar	... ,,	1·9	0 1 4	0 1 11	0 2 0	144	150
Jaggery	... Viss	1·9	0 3 6	0 7 6	0 8 6	214	243
Coffee seeds	... Seer	1·4	0 3 11	0 14 6	0 14 3	370	364
Meat (weight)	...2 lbs. wt.	7·2	0 7 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	229	229
Milk	... Seer	6·1	0 3 7	0 5 4	0 5 4	149	149
Curds	... ,,	1·9	0 1 7	0 3 3	0 3 3	205	205
Ghee	... ,,	2·9	0 6 0	0 12 5	0 12 6	207	208
Onions	... Viss	1·0	0 1 3	0 5 5	0 10 7	433	847
Vegetables	... ,,	5·6	0 2 6	0 5 2	0 6 0	207	240
Fruits	...1 Doz.	0·9	0 2 0	0 3 0	0 3 0	150	150
Gingelly oil	... Seer	2·5	0 2 0	0 5 2	0 5 0	258	250
Groundnut oil	... ,,	0·4	0 1 8	0 4 6	0 4 3	270	255
Cocoanut	... each	1·1	0 1 3	0 2 3	0 2 3	180	180
Tamarind	... Viss	0·9	0 3 3	0 10 10	0 10 6	333	323
Chillies	... ,,	2·0	0 7 4	1 7 8	1 7 2	323	316
Coriander	... Seer	1·3	0 1 5	0 4 1	0 4 0	288	282
Garlic	... ,,	0·7	0 2 0	0 2 11	0 3 0	146	150
Wheat Flour	...	1·4	0 4 10	0 4 10	0 4 10	100	100
Soji	...	1·3	0 4 6	0 4 6	0 4 6	100	100
Ready made coffee	...	6·3	1 5 7	1 5 7	1 5 7	100	100
Total all food ...		100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number—of All Food Articles ...						207·4	212·9
Fuel and Lighting—							
Firewood	... Maund	72·0	0 2 6	0 4 7	0 4 7	183	183
Castor Oil	... Seer ...	7·7	0 1 11	0 5 5	0 5 5	283	283
Kerosene Oil	... Bottle	16·0	0 2 1	0 4 0	0 4 0	192	192
Matches	... Box of 40 sticks.	4·3	0 0 2	0 0 5	0 0 5	250	250
Total	... ...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number—Fuel and Lighting						195·0	195·0
Clothing—							
Dhoties	Pair of 8 yards.	14·6	2 0 9	5 2 8	5 7 1	252	266
Coating	... Yard	22·5	0 5 6	0 13 10	0 15 2	252	276
Shirting	... ,,	21·5	0 4 0	0 11 1	0 11 2	277	279
Cloth for Pyjamas, etc.	,,	3·0	0 4 0	0 12 2	0 13 2	304	329
Saries	... Each	22·4	3 0 0	4 8 0	5 0 0	150	167
Cloth for Jackets,	Yard	16·0	0 5 0	0 13 6	0 13 0	270	260
Total	... ...	100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number—Clothing						242·0	249.8
House rent	...	100	2 10 3	2 10 3	2 10 3	100	100
Index Number—House rent						100	100
Miscellaneous—							
Shaving	...	13·0	0 9 6	0 9 6	0 9 6	100	100
Washing soap	...	17·5	0 4 8	0 4 8	0 4 8	100	100
Supari	...	8·4	0 6 3	0 6 3	0 6 3	100	100
Beedies	...	11·2	0 6 9	0 6 9	0 6 9	100	100
Amusements	...	8·4	0 6 2	0 6 2	0 6 2	100	100
Education	...	5·0	0 3 8	0 3 8	0 3 8	100	100
Medicine	...	8·3	0 6 1	0 6 1	0 6 1	100	100
Flowers	...	5·7	0 4 3	0 4 3	0 4 3	100	100
Household Necessaries		22·5	1 0 8	1 0 8	1 0 8	100	100
Total		100·0	...	...	...	...	...
Index Number—Miscellaneous						100	100

Group	Weights proportional to total expenditure	Group Index Numbers: Dec. 1943	Jany. 1944
Food	53·5	207·4	212·9
Fuel and Lighting	7·0	195·0	195·0
Clothing	13·8	242·0	249·8
House Rent	6·4	100·0	100·0
Miscellaneous	19·3	100·0	100·0
Total ...	100·0	...	...
Cost of Living Index Number ...	...	183·7	187·7

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